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### **Gov. Daugaard Appointments Hannah Walters To Tourism Board**

PIERRE, S.D. – Gov. Dennis Daugaard has appointed Hannah Walters, director of the Mitchell Convention and Visitors Bureau, to the South Dakota Board of Tourism.

Walters, who succeeds David Sweet of Sioux Falls, will begin a four-year term on July 1. She will represent the southeastern region of South Dakota.

“Hannah is well-respected by her peers in the visitor industry, and she brings a great enthusiasm to everything she does,” Gov. Daugaard said. “She has initiated a number of creative new programs and projects at the CVB in Mitchell, and we’re looking forward to benefiting from that creativity and energy.”

The Governor also reappointed Julie Ranum of Watertown to the Tourism Board. She has been a board member since 2003; Ranum represents the Glacial Lakes Region.

The 11-member Tourism Board is charged with assisting the development of the visitor industry in South Dakota.